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A.—(*a*) The hon. Member is presumably referring to the Police Order Book. That is not available for sale to the public. It contains only orders and instructions for officers of the department.

(*b*) & (*c*) A copy will be placed in the Legislative Council Library.

Circumstances leading to the arrest of Mr. Sambamurti.

*2027 *Q.*—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the information said to have been called for in the answer to question No. 1723-B answered on the 14th March 1929, regarding the circumstances in detail of the arrest of Sjt. Bulusu Sambamurti has come;

(*b*) if so, what it is; and

(*c*) if not, why it has not been obtained?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The following is the full answer to question No. 1723-B (Starred):—

(*a*) On the Bezwada Railway Station platform.

(*b*) At 4 a.m. on 7th February 1929.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) No. Such action was unnecessary as the ladies already had male escort.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) Does not arise.

(*g*) The report received is not clear on this point and further enquiries are being made.

(*h*) He is reported to have, prior to his arrest, urged his audiences to go to Madras and take part in the boycott and defy any prohibitory orders that might be passed against them.

(*c*) Does not arise.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"May I know who were the male members present with Mr. Sambamurti at the time of his arrest?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"I have no information. The information contained in the report is given in the answer."

Legal opinion regarding the arrest of Mr. Sambamurti.

*2028 *Q.*—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that some of the speeches of Mr. Sambamurti were referred to the opinion of the hon. the Advocate-General to find out whether they came within section 124-A or 153-A, Indian Penal Code, and if so, on what date;

(*b*) whether all or some of those speeches were also tendered as evidence against Mr. Sambamurti in his recent trial under section 108, Criminal Procedure Code;

(*c*) whether the Government will place a copy of those speeches on the table of this House;

(*d*) what opinion the Advocate-General gave and in what date it was received by the Government;